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SUBJECT: "SYRIANS FOR PEACE" SAYS AHARAM

1. IN ARTICLE ENTITLED "TRUTH ABOUT SYRIA'S STAND ON SETTLEMENT EFFORTS" AHARAM'S DAMASCUS CORRESPONDENT REPORTS MAY 6 ON INSIDE PAGES THAT ALL SYRIANS FROM MINISTERS TO STUDENTS TO MAN-IN-THE-STREET WISH SETTLE ME CONFLICT. HE QUOTES MINECON MUHAMMAD AL-IMADI AS SAYING EVIDENCE OF SYRIA'S DESIRE FOR PEACE IS A) RESTORATION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH US; B) ACCEPTANCE OF RES 242 AFTER SEVEN YEARS OF REJECTION; C) AGREEMENT TO SECRETARY KISSINGER'S MEDIATION EFFORTS; D) FORBEARANCE FROM USE OF FORCE DESPITE REPEATED ISRAELI PROVOCATION.

2. ARTICLE CONTINUES WITH ANOTHER QUOTE FROM IMADI THAT "SYRIA HAS NOT KNOWN A MORE POWERFUL LEADER THAN HAFIZ AL-ASSAD; HE IS READY FOR PEACE AND SPEAKS ABOUT PEACE AND JUSTICE NOT ONLY FOR ARABS BUT ALSO FOR ALL THE AREA'S PEOPLES."

3. QUOTING ASST TO MININFO AHMAD MADANIA, AHARAM'S CORRES-  
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PONDENT WRITES THAT SYRIA SUPPORTS ITS PALESTINIAN BROTHERS

BUT "SEEKS THAT SAME JUST PEACE AS IS SOUGHT BY EGYPT. OUR POLICY IS CONDUCTED IN COORDINATION WITH EGYPT AT HIGHEST LEVEL." HE ADDS THAT KISSINGER'S MISSION WAS "PARTICULARLY STRENUOUS" IN SYRIA BECAUSE DISENGAGEMENT IN GOLAN SO CLOSELY AFFECTS LIVES OF ITS RESIDENTS.

4. AHAM CORRESPONDENT REPORTS THAT "ON OFFICIAL LEVEL, SYRIA BELIEVES PEACE CAN BE ACHIEVED ONLY THROUGH TALKS SUCH AS THOSE ALREADY CONDUCTED BY KISSINGER OR THOSE CONTEMPLATED IN GENEVA." SARG BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT ONLY CRISIS ATMOSPHERE AT GENEVA WILL GIVE ISRAELIS OR WESTERN WORLD "INCENTIVE" TO MAKE ANY REAL PROGRESS.  
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